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October 28, 7:30 p.m. Town Meeting Agenda

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For more information on these streets, a study is available in the Town Office.

Refreshments will be available at 7 p.m. If you'd like to bake something or otherwise help, please call Jenny Smith at 301-946-3804.

Upcoming Agenda for November 18th Town Meeting

Public Hearing for speed bump request on Calvert Place.

Public Hearing for restricting parking to one side of narrow streets (see above for list of streets).

Discussion of Outsourcing Trash

Contact us at 3710 Mitchell Street, Kensington, MD 20895

Phone: 301-949-2424; Fax: 301-949-4925;

E-mail: mayor.council@tok.org; Web Site: www.tok.org

Meeting Schedule

November 4, 7:00 p.m. Work Session; November 18, 7:30 p.m. Town Meeting
December 16, 7:00 p.m. Work Session

The Town Office will be closed on November 28th and 29th for Thanksgiving and there will not be a trash pick up on Friday, November 29th.

Clothing Collection

CLARIFICATION TO LAST MONTH'S JOURNAL

A member of our Town crew has asked to be allowed to collect clean used clothes once a month to take to a local church. Clothing will be distributed to needy families in our area by the church. If you wish to contribute, clothes should be in plastic bags under the portico on the 15th of each month.

Reminders

Please remove all standing water around your yard to prevent mosquito breeding sources.

Political signs must be on private property and not on the Town right of way or they will be removed.

All refuse receptacles must have tight fitting lids. Also, please line them with plastic bags. If possible please place refuse receptacles curbside. This will expedite a more efficient trash pick up.

Revitalization Steering Committee

The following is a list of members of the Revitalization Steering Committee: Mayor Raufaste, Sara Loechel Timlin, Lee Brierly, Tara Van Emmerik, Scott Wertlieb, Caroline Jockel, Barbara Scharman, Michael Uhlman, Dennis McCurdy, Gloria Capron, Julie O'Malley, Sabina Emerson, Andie Murtha, Barry Peoples, Frank O'Donnell, and Tom Logan. If you are interested in joining the Committee, please contact the Town Office.

Thank You

Thank you for the continuing support of Ann Pfautz, Lorraine Kennedy, and Tracey Furman for help each month in assembling and delivering the Journal.

Thank you to Linda Fetig for all her work in preparing and demonstrating the model on the Town's narrow streets and for her continued support in keeping up to date information in the kiosk.

Thank you for the continuing support of David, Tracey and Caitlin Furman in providing the sound system for the Town Meetings.

Thank you to Jenny Smith for providing refreshments at the Town Meeting.

e-Announcements

If you would like to receive brief e-mail updates regarding Town business please sign up for e-Announcements on the home page of the Town's website (www.tok.org)

Leafing

Leaf collection has started and will continue until December 15th. Please place all leaves curbside either in paper bags, trashcans marked leaves, or loosely raked in piles. Leaves will be picked up as follows:

1. TUESDAY WILL BE ALL STREETS WEST OF CONNECTICUT AVENUE.
2. WEDNESDAY WILL BE ALL STREETS NORTH OF METROPOLITAN AND EAST OF CONNECTICUT AVENUE.
3. THURSDAY WILL BE ALL STREETS EAST OF CONNECTICUT AVENUE AND SOUTH OF HOWARD AVENUE.

This schedule may vary depending on weather conditions or equipment breakdowns, please contact the Public Works Department if you have any questions or need additional information.

For Your Information

Police Non-Emergency Phone Number

301-279-8000

If you see or hear any inappropriate activities in or around Town but aren't sure if they are illegal or warrant a call to 911, please call the non-emergency number to report the activity. These reports help the police to curtail undesirable activities and often yield valuable information in stopping or solving crimes.

PEPCO Phone Numbers

The emergency only phone number for PEPCO is 202-872-3432. To report regular outages the phone number is 1-877-737-2662. PEPCO has requested each house call that has an outage not just one in the block.

Message from the Mayor's Desk

The new Revitalization Steering Committee met this month for the first time. A round table discussion was conducted where members shared many ideas and great enthusiasm was shown with plans for another meeting to be held on October 22.

The Strategic Planning Committee met this month. This committee is headed by Maryland University students and will work with residents, Council Members and merchants to revamp our web site. After the strategic plan is completed, I believe the results will be another tool for the Revitalization Steering Committee.

Louise Hamilton and I have spent some time this month looking at trees to determine the need for dead wooding and possible removal. The forest ranger will take a look at the trees in question and give his approval.

I have been looking at brick sidewalks and we will determine how much needs to be spent on emergency repairs before the winter.

Montgomery County representatives and I met to check the trees and shrubs planted on Howard Ave. this year. Many are under distress due to lack of rain and tree borers. In the spring of 2003 we will need to spray for insects to protect the trees during the growing season.

The Armory Committee met this month to discuss the progress of restoration of the Town Hall/Community Center. We are waiting for a proposal to remove some remaining lead and we will look at the need for fire alarms in the building. Also on our to do list for this fiscal year is repair to the exterior mortar between the bricks.

Metropolitan Avenue is moving along well. It's exciting to see the improvements and the progress being made on this project. The State Highway Administration has worked well with merchants to keep business open with as little inconvenience as possible.

I attended the MML Fall Conference in Annapolis this month. Many workshops were offered to municipal leaders to promote and provide education to enhance municipal government. We also adopted the legislative program presented by the legislative committee. The League will focus attention this year on three areas of concern:

1. Building Government Relationships
2. Protecting Municipal Resources
3. Home Town Safety and Security

I attended a Chamber of Commerce board meeting this month.

As always, I look forward to hearing from you with questions and suggestions.

Council Member Carr's Report

Traffic Committee Update

The Traffic Advisory Committee met on September 25th. A summary of committee recommendations is provided separately in this Journal. Current guidelines call for one citizen representative per street unless a major road divides the street. However, the meetings are open and all residents are welcome to attend and/or provide input. The next meeting will be on October 30th at 7pm at the Armory.

Streetlights

Montgomery County has tentatively agreed to upgrade the lighting at the intersection of Connecticut Ave. and Washington Street. The County proposes to replace five antiquated mercury vapor “acorn” streetlights with modern high-pressure sodium “full cutoff” lights. These new lights, the first of their kind within the Town, are dramatically more energy efficient and provide better illumination and visibility while also reducing uplighting, glare and “light trespass” into nearby homes. The bottom line is that the new lights will provide increased safety at this critical pedestrian crossing and could serve as a model for future streetlight improvements in Town. This began with a request I initiated back in 1999. After being bounced around between the Town, Pepco, the State Highway Administration, and the County I was finally able to get to the right office and get some action. Sometimes persistence pays off. Montgomery County is responsible for streetlights on state roads. The Town is responsible for streetlights on local roads. With safety on everyone’s mind, please report any streetlight problems to the Town office.

Kensington Parkway Bike Path

I arranged a meeting with Park and Planning and Montgomery County to discuss conceptual designs for a future bicycle path between Beach Drive and the MARC train station. I also attended the Rock Creek Hills Civic Association meeting to discuss the bike path. Good relationships with our neighboring jurisdictions enable us to work in partnership on mutually beneficial projects like this one.

Property Taxes

Glenn Cowan’s comments about considering professional management for our Town government got me thinking. I had some follow-up discussions with fellow council members about this topic and also about the related topic of the long term potential of annexing neighboring areas into the Town of Kensington. Since we are taxed differently than unincorporated areas of the county, the question came to mind: How much extra does it cost to live in Town of Kensington? I did a little research and here is what I found:

Description	TOK resident	non-TOK resident
County Property Tax	.754%	.754%
Kensington Property Tax	.193%	Not Applicable
State Property Tax	.084%	.084%
Water Qual Protec Chg (RSFD)	\$12.75	\$12.75
Special Area Property Tax	.262%	.265%
Solid Waste Charge	\$65.21	\$283.70

The bottom line impact for a house assessed at \$250,000 would be about \$257 per year.

Miscellaneous

- I attended the Maryland Municipal League Fall meeting in Annapolis. I enjoyed seminars on topics of ethics, open meetings law, photo radar, noise control and local government structure.
- I provided written comments to the draft state bicycle/pedestrian master plan. Several needed pedestrian improvements within the Town had been omitted.

- I reported a malfunction of the Washington Street pedestrian crossing light to Montgomery County.
- I met with several residents to discuss Connecticut Avenue speeding, traffic restrictions, and sidewalk issues.
- I had discussions with the pastor of a local church to discuss pedestrian safety and historic preservation issues.

As always, please e-mail me or call me any time you have an idea, question or concern. phone: 946-4956. e-mail: acarr@aol.com

Council Member Cowan's Report

This month I had discussions about and took no action on the same things I had discussions about and took no action on last month. The month before that I had discussion about and took no action on the very same issues.

Maybe it's only my perception but it does appear that progress in Kensington has slowed to a pace more in keeping with our historic past than our immediate present. It takes forever to accomplish the slightest move forward. (By progress, I don't mean more development, etc., I mean accomplishing what needs to be done to keep our community vibrant, healthy and manageable.) Why is this? I think the answer is relatively obvious for anyone observing the process – we keep trying to appease every last person. No matter they may be only one of a few people in town with their view. No matter that the issue has been open for discussion for months (even years) and they have come to the discussion at the last moment.

We are trying to govern by consensus and it doesn't work. Everybody can't be mollified. Sometimes elected officials need to make decisions that are to the greater good even if a few people disagree. As elected officials, our attempts to please everybody are an abdication of our responsibility to govern. Even more to the point, many of the issues over which we debate endlessly (e.g., zoning issues and traffic on Connecticut Avenue) fall outside the jurisdiction of the town. Yes, we can and should work with the state and county (as we do) on these problems. But belaboring what Kensington should do, when we have no authority to act, is not only a waste of time, it distracts us from the decisions on which we can take action.

This is not to suggest that we shouldn't listen. Kensington has many active and caring citizens who want to participate in decisions that affect the quality of life in our town. But Kensington is not run by a town meeting form of government (and could not be by state law). We need to know when to stop having conversations, what issues we can act on, and then actually do something. I was elected to exercise good judgment - not to listen interminably, calculate what would upset the fewest folks and then take actions based on a vocal minority. As council members, we need to recommit to saying "yes" to progress and be willing on occasion to say "no" to individuals.

Council Member Pfautz's Report

Maryland Municipal League

On October 4th, I was in Annapolis for the Maryland Municipal League Fall Conference. In the morning, I attended a very informative session on the Smart Growth Arts and Entertainment Districts program (see specific interest briefly outlined in next paragraph). In the afternoon, I participated in group discussions on one of the League's legislative priorities: home town safety and security. During the upcoming legislative session, I will be working with the Legislative Committee in supporting bills that offer opportunities to increase citizen safety and security.

Kensington Arts Coalition?

I've been meeting with a group of residents over the past couple of months to talk about the possible creation of a new Arts Coalition of Kensington (ACK). The mission of such a Coalition – while still very much in the planning stages – would be to raise visibility to the arts/artists of Kensington and to create a forum for sharing and connection through showcasing the creativity of Town residents. In its beginning phase, it has been envisioned that the Arts Coalition would act as a facilitator in providing various venues for showcasing the arts around Town: perhaps through displays at Town Hall, creation of outside gallery spaces for community wide Open-Studio events, and an Artist Series/Speakers Series/Concert Series of presenters - to be held on weekends or evenings in the Armory or in outdoor settings. A second, perhaps parallel phase of work might be to fundraise and apply for grants to provide other opportunities for showcasing the arts in Town. The hope is that the first phase will bring in interested people, whose skills and talents will help to facilitate what is necessary for the second phase. The "Ad Hoc" group I've been working with plans to send out a flyer soon to solicit interest. In the meantime, please call me if you'd like to get involved or want to know more.

University of Maryland

Students from the University of Maryland Masters of Technology program are working with the Town to produce a concept plan for further development of the Town website to include better linkage to area businesses. The students have been meeting electronically and in person to develop a plan which they will present to the Town at the end of their semester. In a phased approach, the students are working on a proposal that will create greater functionality to the Town website generally and specifically develop a "commercial resource center." I have contacted West Howard Antiques District, Old Town Merchants Association and Kensington Business District Association to ask for their participation in this very exciting project.

Council Member Scharman's Report

Tree Planting - I worked with the Tree Board to develop a planting plan for streets needing trees for a fall planting and some of the spring planting needs. Trees will be ordered soon for the November planting. The plan was submitted to the Maryland

Department of Natural Resources in hopes of obtaining matching funds for the planting through an urban forestry funding program.

St. Paul Park Improvements - I met with the Mayor and Walter Petzold, engineer, to discuss the plans for St. Paul Park's renovation. Oyster, Imus, and Petzold Engineers will develop construction plans and bid specifications to carry out the work the Town specified in our Program Open Space funding request. The work includes drainage improvements, resurfacing the basketball court, construction of a new walking path, installation of a water fountain, replacement of the parking barricade, paving of the parking strip, and a new baseball backstop.

Pedestrian and Bike Access - I attended a meeting with Council Member Carr and representatives from the Maryland National Capital Parks and Planning Commission and the County's bike trail program. I have been interested in pedestrian and biker accessibility to Town parks, MNCPPC parks, Town businesses, and generally throughout town.

Revitalization - I attended the first meeting of the Revitalization Steering Committee. The committee reviewed some of the existing economic and market information about the Town, discussed committee composition and organization, and discussed thoughts on potential topics and areas to address. One of my interests is the promotion and marketing of businesses and attractions in small, historic towns and I will continue my research on this segment of economic development and share it with the committee.

Recommendations from the Traffic Committee

Summary from September 25, 2002 Meeting

SPEED BUMPS

- The Traffic Advisory Committee has no objection to the proposed speed bump on Calvert Place.
- The committee will send the petition back to the Council to be handled via the normal procedure pursuant to the Town Code.
- All future speed bump requests should be handled via the existing speed bump procedure.

TRAFFIC RESTRICTIONS

- The Town needs to include the east Washington St/Calvert Place area near Warner church in future traffic studies to determine if changes are warranted.
- There may be a need to update the Town's policy on traffic restrictions. David Nellis agreed to draft a proposed traffic restriction procedure based on the current speed bump procedure.

TOWN WALKS

- The committee recommends that the Town institute periodic "town walks" to identify pedestrian and traffic hazards.

TOWN SIDEWALK POLICY

- There may be a need to revise our sidewalk construction and maintenance policies. Sabina Emerson agreed to work with Al Carr to begin reviewing the current town sidewalk policy.

ENFORCEMENT

- The committee recommends that the Town begin hiring off duty county police manpower as soon as possible.
- Suggested amount to start is 8 hours per week for the next six months (Approx cost = \$6,240).
- Enforcement to be rotated among the identified hot spots.
- Time of day and day of week to be flexible but should be monitored and adjusted if necessary to ensure hot spots are enforced at problem times
- The Town should begin enforcement after notifying residents in the Town Journal. Cost of tickets and points should be publicized.
- Monitor enforcement to ensure effectiveness

CONNECTICUT AVENUE

- Pursue obtaining any past speed/volume studies of Conn. Ave from SHA/County
- Al Carr to draft a letter regarding speeding and safety on Conn. Ave. in the residential area south of Knowles Ave.

TRAFFIC STUDY

- The Traffic Committee advises that the Council proceed as soon as possible with a traffic study under the following guidelines:
 - A. Minimize overlap with any existing studies
 - B. Negotiate to reduce prices if possible
 - C. Consider alternative consultants
 - D. Consider a phased approach to fit budget constraints but enable us to begin as soon as possible.
 - E. Consider partnering with Chevy Chase View where appropriate

WEB SITE

- We recommend to the Council that TOK set aside a portion of the Town website for the Traffic Committee.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Use of the Public Rights of Way Ordinance to be Adopted

At the October Town Meeting, the Council will adopt an ordinance to include "use of the public right of way" in Chapter 3 of the Town Code. The ordinance will authorize the Town to require a permit and permit fee from any utility who excavates, constructs or performs any maintenance or other work in the Town right-of-way.

ADOPTED ORDINANCE

Storm Water Management

At the September Town Meeting, the Council adopted an ordinance as emergency legislation to repeal Article 2 Section 8-201 – Section 8-227 and adopt Article 2, Chapter 19 of the County's Storm Water Management which is effective September 30, 2002.

Town Meeting

September 30, 2002

Mayor Raufaste called the Meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. with Council Members Carr, Pfautz, and Scharman, Director of Public Works Joel, Clerk-Treasurer Engels and Town Attorney Rachel McGuckian present. Council Member Cowan was necessarily absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Condolences were expressed for Isadella Ward a long time resident that recently passed away. A Moment of Silence was observed.

The Mayor presented Molly Deale with a Certificate of Appreciation in recognition of all her hard work in coordinating the beautification of St. Paul Park.

The Mayor presented Jenny Smith with a Certificate of Appreciation in recognition of all her dedicated work in coordinating the 8K race each year.

The Mayor swore in Mary O'Donnell as a member of the Ethics Commission for a one year term.

Larysa Kurylas was present and requested a variance from the 10-foot side yard setback requirement for 3507 Farragut Avenue. She explained the proposed addition to her property would require a variance for an encroachment of 1.8 feet into the Town's 10-foot side lot line setback.

George and Jim Myers, from GTM Architects, presented their plans for property that they purchased at 10111 and 10109 Frederick Avenue for informational purposes. They are planning on renovating the existing house and building another house on the vacant lot which would comply with Town and County requirements. Residents expressed concerns over the shared driveway, preservation of trees, height of the proposed house and water runoff. Residents requested the Town to have more regulations to prevent infill and protect mature trees in Town, possibly through adoption of a tree ordinance.

Judith Heintz, Executive Director of The Children in the Shoe, Inc. presented her proposal for use of 3514 Plyers Mill Road as a day care center with use of St. Paul Park during the weekdays between the hours of 9:00-11:30 a.m. and 3:30-5:30 p.m. Residents expressed concerns over parking requirements, traffic, and available space at St. Paul Park. Heintz is planning to come back at the October Town Meeting to address further comments from residents.

Tracey Furman, Chairman of the Tree Lighting Committee explained the Committee's goals and the three options proposed. Residents discussed the options and added a fourth option of a festival of lights. The Committee supported the festival of lights option and wanted to further refine it as a fourth option for the Council to consider at the October meeting.

The Mayor informed residents that the Town government is not collecting used clothing as written in the September Journal but a Town crewmember is collecting the clothing for a church to distribute to the needy.

The Mayor informed residents that SHA is planning to install a wrought iron fence around the Mizell property on Metropolitan Avenue, as per the original plan for this project.

Public Works Director Joel informed concerned residents that the asphalt will be patched on Kensington Parkway where it meets the curb.

Council Member Pfautz introduced resolution 2002-11 an ordinance (cellular) to include use of the public right of way in Chapter 3 of the Town Code. Council Member Carr recused himself. The ordinance will authorize the Town to require a permit and permit fee from any utility that excavates, constructs, or performs any maintenance or other work in the Town right-of-way. This ordinance is to be adopted at the October Town Meeting

Due to time constraints, the Mayor and Council did not present monthly reports.

Council Actions

Council Member Carr moved to approve the 1.8 feet variance as requested for 3507 Farragut Avenue. Although the variance did not meet lot size/shape criteria it was seconded by Council Member Pfautz due to the fact that an existing staircase into the house already extends into the ten foot setback and adjoining property owners are in support of the project. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Pfautz introduced Resolution 2002-10 storm water management ordinance as emergency legislation which becomes effective upon adoption. Council Member Pfautz moved to approve Resolution 2002-10 to repeal the Town's existing storm water management and adopt Article 2, Chapter 19 of the County's Storm Water Management. It was seconded by Council Member Carr and passed unanimously with the Mayor concurring.

Council Member Scharman moved to approve the minutes from the August 12, 2002 work session with an amendment to correct east side to west side when referencing the sidewalk on Kensington Parkway. Council Member Pfautz seconded it and it passed unanimously.

Council Member Scharman moved to approve the minutes from the September 9, 2002 work session with an amendment to correct east side to west side when referencing the

sidewalk on Kensington Parkway. Council Member Pfautz seconded it and it passed unanimously.

Council Member Carr moved to join Montgomery County and the region in supporting Safe Neighborhood Day on October 30, 2002 to raise awareness about pedestrian safety. Council Member Pfautz seconded it and it passed unanimously with the Mayor concurring.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:20 p.m.

Work Session of Mayor & Council

October 7, 2002

The Work Session commenced at 7:00 p.m., Mayor Raufaste, Council Members Carr, Cowan, Pfautz and Scharman, and Clerk-Treasurer Engels were present and the following issues were addressed:

Joseph M. McCathran, CPA from Linton, Shafer & Company, presented information on the new GASB Statement number 34 which the Town will be required to comply with in fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003. The most significant changes required by Statement 34 are as follows: management discussion and analysis as part of financial statements, reporting infrastructure assets and depreciation, government-wide financial statements using full accrual basis, fund financial statement including reconciliation to government-wide financial statements, and budgetary reporting to include explanation of the original budget to the final budget.

Lou Kressin, owner of property on 10421 Metropolitan Avenue was present and discussed with the Mayor and Council the use of the new parking lot on N. Kensington Parkway. The parking lot was constructed by SHA on N. Kensington Parkway as part of the streetscape improvements due to the loss of street parking. The Mayor and Council designated five spaces to be permitted Mon-Fri 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. for the use of the tenants at 10421 Metropolitan Avenue. Subsequently, it was changed to 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. with no overnight parking.

Council Member Scharman presented a document to the Mayor and Council which states some of the County and State requirements for a proposed daycare center at 3514 Plyers Mill Road next to St. Paul Park. Council Member Scharman stated that these requirements cannot be met under this proposal at this location and that the same or similar requirements regarding change in use of this property came up several years ago in the Town's legal brief regarding this site. The Mayor informed the Council, that a letter has been sent to Mrs. Heintz, Executive Director of The Children in the Shoe, Inc. reminding her of resident and Council concerns expressed during her presentation at the September 30th Town Meeting.

Council Member Carr presented the following recommendations from the Traffic Advisory Committee's September 25th meeting: continue following the existing speed bump policy for current requests, develop a procedure on requests for new traffic

restrictions on Town streets, institute periodic Town walks to identify pedestrian and traffic hazards, revise the sidewalk construction and maintenance policies, move forward with hiring off-duty police officers for traffic enforcement in Town, proceed with a traffic study on Town streets, continue to work on obtaining information and addressing speed/volume on Connecticut Avenue, and use a portion of Town web site for Traffic Committee updates, reports, etc.

The Mayor and Council discussed concerns over the uniformity of existing speed bumps and the Town's speed bump policy but will observe the existing policy on the current request. A public hearing on the speed bump request for Calvert Place will be held at the November Town meeting

The Mayor and Council supported moving forward with hiring off duty County police for traffic enforcement. A flyer for inclusion in the Town Journal will be prepared to educate Town residents on this effort and the fines and points for traffic violations in Town.

The Traffic Committee will develop a RFP to be sent out for a traffic study and also check with the Town of Chevy Chase to find out who did their study. The Mayor will inquire about obtaining a copy of Safeway's traffic study.

Linda Fetig presented a model demonstrating the inability of vehicles, such as emergency equipment, trash trucks, snow plows, etc., to access the narrow streets in Town when vehicles are parked on both sides of the street. The Mayor and Council will visit these streets before the next Town meeting for further discussion and will have a public hearing at the November meeting to allow parking on only one side of the streets that are too narrow for adequate vehicle access.

The Mayor and Council discussed and updated items on the project list. Stormwater management, HOC drop box and GASB 34 have already been addressed and were removed from the project list

The Council will review the code enforcement action list.

The Mayor and Council discussed the proposed amendments to the approved sidewalk on the west side of Kensington Parkway. It was agreed that there needs to be further review of the engineering plans and cost estimates for expanding the project, including the addition of a planting strip, before discussion at the next work session.

Council Member Carr informed the Council that he had obtained signs for Safe Neighborhood Day. The Council may postpone participating in Safe Neighborhood Day on October 30, 2002 and participate next time due to recent events.

The monthly correspondence was reviewed

The minutes from the September 30th Town meeting were reviewed.

Council Actions

Council Member Pfautz moved to make the following reallocations in the 2001/2002 budget before closing out the fiscal year: REVENUE: change CDBG grant-armory bathrooms to \$80,000, open space grant-playgrounds to \$60,000, armory rentals to \$20,000, 8K race to \$25,400; EXPENDITURES: change Mayor and Council travel to \$8,600, administrative salaries to \$115,765, social security and unemployment to \$10,000, employee pension fund to \$8,930, professional services to \$34,000, office expense to \$19,000, Town Hall repairs and maintenance to \$12,000, Town Hall revitalization to \$225,000, miscellaneous to \$1,750, 8K race to \$25,400, Armory rental to \$1,500, public works salaries to \$207,000, employee pension fund to \$19,100, street reconstruction to \$225,000, landscaping to \$56,000, sidewalk reconstruction to \$34,500, vehicle expense to \$21,000, uniforms to \$1,600, vehicle preventive maintenance to \$9,000, and disposal costs to \$29,000. Council Member Cowan seconded the motion and it passed unanimously with the Mayor concurring.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

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REVISED AGENDA

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